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The required item(s) identified below must be timely submitted to avoid abandonment:

- A substitute specification in compliance with 37 CFR 1.52 because:
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In re Application of:

TOMAS BACK et al.

Serial No.: 10/020,401

Art Unit: To be assigned

Filed: December 18, 2001

Examiner: To be assigned

For: METHOD AND APPARAUS
FOR PRODUCING ELONGAGE
SUPPORT ELEMENT AND
PRODUCT, AND USE OF THE
SUPPORT ELEMENT

Atty Docket: 21547/0287

RESPONSE TO “NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS”

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Sir:

In response to the **NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS** dated January 8, 2002, Applicants submit herewith the following documents for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office:

1. Copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers; and
2. Substitute specification.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any of the above fees, as well as any insufficient fees, including any fees required under 37 CFR §§ 1.16 or 1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 22-0185. A duplicate copy of this authorization is also attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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